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10/589,219	08/11/2006	Martin Landwehr	7347-000008/US/NP	5855

TITLE OF INVENTION: VALUABLES CASE FOR HOLDING SECURITIES WITH A SAFETY DEVICE

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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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The MAILING DATE of this communication apperall claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT R of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313	(OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this or other appropriate communical IGHTS. This application is subjection	s application. If not included ation will be mailed in due course. THIS
1. This communication is responsive to 10 Janaury 2008.		
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An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be

submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview

with G. Gregory Schivley on 27 February 2008.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the claims:

Cancel claims 7 and 16.

Claim 1, line 10 of the claim, replace the word "device" in the phrase "a sensor

device" with the word -element --.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Although the

references of record show some similar features of applicant's claimed invention, they

fail to show the at least one vibration generator and the sensor element located within

the least one holding chamber.

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Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to ALYSON M. MERLINO whose telephone number is

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(571)272-2219. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday,

7:30 - 5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisor, Patricia Engle can be reached on (571) 272-6660. The fax phone number

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Supervisory Patent Examiner,

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Examiner, Art Unit 3673

February 27, 2008